

Senate Reference No. 26-2

MEMORANDUM

TO The Senate

FROM: Honors Program Subcommittee

DATE: August 28, 2026

SUBJ: Report to Faculty Senate from the Honors Program sub-committee (also known as the Honors Council) for the 2025 to 2026 academic year

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April 27, 2026

Items under Consideration

The Honors Program Committee is actively engaged in supporting students' academic and professional development through a variety of initiatives. Currently, we are focused on key items, including H-Options, Scholarships, Honors Awards, and Honors Project proposals.

The Honors Program also had major events such as:

The Spring 2026 Honors Showcase will be held on April 7th through April 10th, 2026, with 44 presenters, and one presentation took place on Friday, April 24, which brought the total number to 45 - the highest number yet.

Looking ahead, Honors is expanded support for Honors Projects through Showcase Workshops and Project Liaisons, ensuring that each of our 45 expected graduates receives guidance from an Honors Council member.

Honors is also working on adding Honors sections to existing courses and planning the Honors Freshman Seminar to enhance the first-year experience.

Honors is hosted its second Alumni reception on April 10th, 2026.

Items Concluded

The Fall 2025 Honors Showcase was held on December 5th, 2025 with 7 presenters.

Honors Program Convocation was held on February 23, where major Honors information in regards to current Honors Active and Honors Eligible numbers were shared per college, as well as the number of Honors scholarships awarded. The Honors Pinning Ceremony also took place during the convocation honoring all Honors Pin recipients.

The Honors Omnibus Classroom Visits and Seminar hosted three Omnibus speakers for the 2025-2026 academic year, allowing Honors students to engage directly with them. The Omnibus classroom visits were open to all PFW students interested in the speakers' areas of expertise, fostering broader academic discussions.

430 H-Options offered for 2025-2026 academic year.

33 Honors Scholarships were awarded for 2025-2026 academic year.

Through these initiatives, we are committed to fostering a dynamic and enriching Honors experience for our students. Any questions concerning Honors activities may be addressed to Carolyn Stumph, Ph.D. Honors program sub-committee chairperson or Farah Combs, Director of the Honors Program.